

STATUS OF U.S. STRATEGIC PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing on the status of U.S. strategic programs. Testimony was heard from GEN Kevin P. Chilton, USAF, Command, U.S. Strategic Command.

HIGHWAYS/MASS TRANSIT FINANCING

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Budgeting for Transportation: Financing Investments in Highways and Mass Transit. Testimony was heard from Debra L. Miller, Secretary, Department of Transportation, Kansas; Tyler Duvall, former Assistant Secretary, Transportation Policy, Department of Transportation; and a public witness.

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on The Importance of Early Childhood Development. Testimony was heard from Harriet Meyer, Co-Chair Early Learning Council, State of Illinois; Holly Robinson, Commissioner, Department of Early Care and Learning, State of Georgia; and public witnesses.

U.S. EXPORT PROMOTION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Stimulating the Economy through Trade: Examining the Role of Export Promotion. Testimony was heard from Michelle O'Neill, Acting Under Secretary, International Trade, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; Suzanne Hale, Acting Administrator, Foreign Agriculture Service, USDA; Loren Yager, Director, International Affairs and Trade, GAO; and public witnesses.

AFFORDABLE HEALTH COVERAGE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Making Health Care Work for American Families: Ensuring Affordable Coverage. Testimony was heard from Mila Kofman, Superintendent of Insurance, Bureau of Insurance, State of Maine; and public witnesses.

FINANCIAL SERVICES SYSTEMIC RISK REGULATION

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled "Perspectives on Regulation of Systemic Risk in the Financial Services Industry." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEMA PREPAREDNESS/RESPONSE MISSION

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness and Response held a hearing on PKEMRA Implementation: An Examination of FEMA's Preparedness and Re-

sponse Mission. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Richard Skinner, Inspector General; and Corey Gruber, Acting Deputy Administrator, National Preparedness Directorate, FEMA; William Jenkins, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, GAO; and public witnesses.

GOVERNMENT BANKING CONSOLIDATION/ANTITRUST LAW

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy held a hearing on Too Big To Fail?: The Role of Antitrust Law in Government-Funded Consolidation in the Banking Industry. Testimony was heard from Deborah A. Garza, former Assistant Attorney General, Division of Antitrust, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF ENERGY LEASING

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing entitled "Leasing and Development of Oil and Gas Resources on the Outer Continental Shelf." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Chris Oynes, Associate Director, Offshore Energy and Minerals Management Program, Minerals Management Service; and Mary L. Kendall, Acting Inspector General; Frank Rusco, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL SERVICE REFORM

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by a non-record vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1388, the Generations Invigorating Volunteerism and Education (GIVE) Act. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and Labor. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute except for clause 10 of rule XXI.

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the